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SECOND BREAKDOWN

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**Contract number- NAS-8-21286**

**Marshall Space Flight Center**



**Newark College Of Engineering**

**Newark, New Jersey**



In this our final report on contract number NAS-8-21286 on second breakdown two conclusions are quite clear as a result of all the experimental data that we generated here at NCE.

One is that most power transistors get into second breakdown at a lower current when the temperatures are very low. It is also clear that some transistors do not follow this behavior. But they are few and far between. In an informal communication with the very active group at Fort Monmouth in Second Breakdown studies led by Barney Reich and Ed. B. Hakim, confirmation of this fact occurred. They were originally surprised at our finding but later they pursued the subject further and confirmed our findings. We are of course unable to explain the exceptions nor are we yet very clear on explaining the greater vulnerability to second breakdown at lower temperatures. This because there is no doubt in our minds about the well established hot spot theory. We propose to pursue this matter further since.

These findings of course are very significant in that what might be considered safe and therefore super at low temperatures because the cause of failure is heat (or hot spot) actually fails when we would have normally felt overconfident.

The second finding is that where as there is very mild Co-relation between electrical noise and early second breakdown this is extremely mild being +0.465. Much more work needs to be done in this field before more light can be thrown on this subject.

Data was taken on this topic spread over a long period of time and data collected at NCE is reported in this report in detail.

Mr. Durwin, a graduate student here and at University of New Hampshire has theorized this data further and any interested reader of this report can further discuss this subject.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'R. P. Misra', is written over a horizontal line.

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Subject: Cost and Performance Report  
Contract No.: NAS8-21286  
Item Nomenclature: Chemical and Structural Analysis  
of Second Breakdown  
Control No.: DCN 1-8-60-00155(IF)  
Period of Report: April 1, 1969-April 30, 1969  
And final reporting August 1969

a. Man Hours

|                |        |
|----------------|--------|
| Total in April | 258    |
| Cumulative     | 3195.5 |

b. Funds

|                                  |               |
|----------------------------------|---------------|
| Salaries                         | 1066.13       |
| Equipment and<br>Supplies        | --            |
| Overhead                         | --            |
| Total Expenses For<br>The Period | <hr/> 1066.13 |
| Outstanding Commitment           | --            |
| Cumulative Total                 | 22,631.00     |
| % Total Spent                    | 100%          |

c. Work Completion (to date)

|                    |      |
|--------------------|------|
| During This Period | 6%   |
| Cumulative         | 100% |

Second Breakdown Vs Temperature:-

The status of second breakdown currents, (and the 1st breakpoint only has been considered in the event of multiple breakpoints) shows the general pattern as indicated in the early pages of this report.

It was hoped that we could make further measurements at cryogenic temperature of liquid Helium but our difficulties in setting up this equipment still persists and so this point could not be taken. Measurements made at this point when they become available will certainly give us more insight into the reasons of the transistor behavior.

The inconsistency in the behavior of some transistors is probably caused due to response time since there is no doubt that ultimately the Second breakdown failure is caused due to the hot spot.

The attached curves are self explanatory.

Fig 2 A  
Ref. N-X1-8

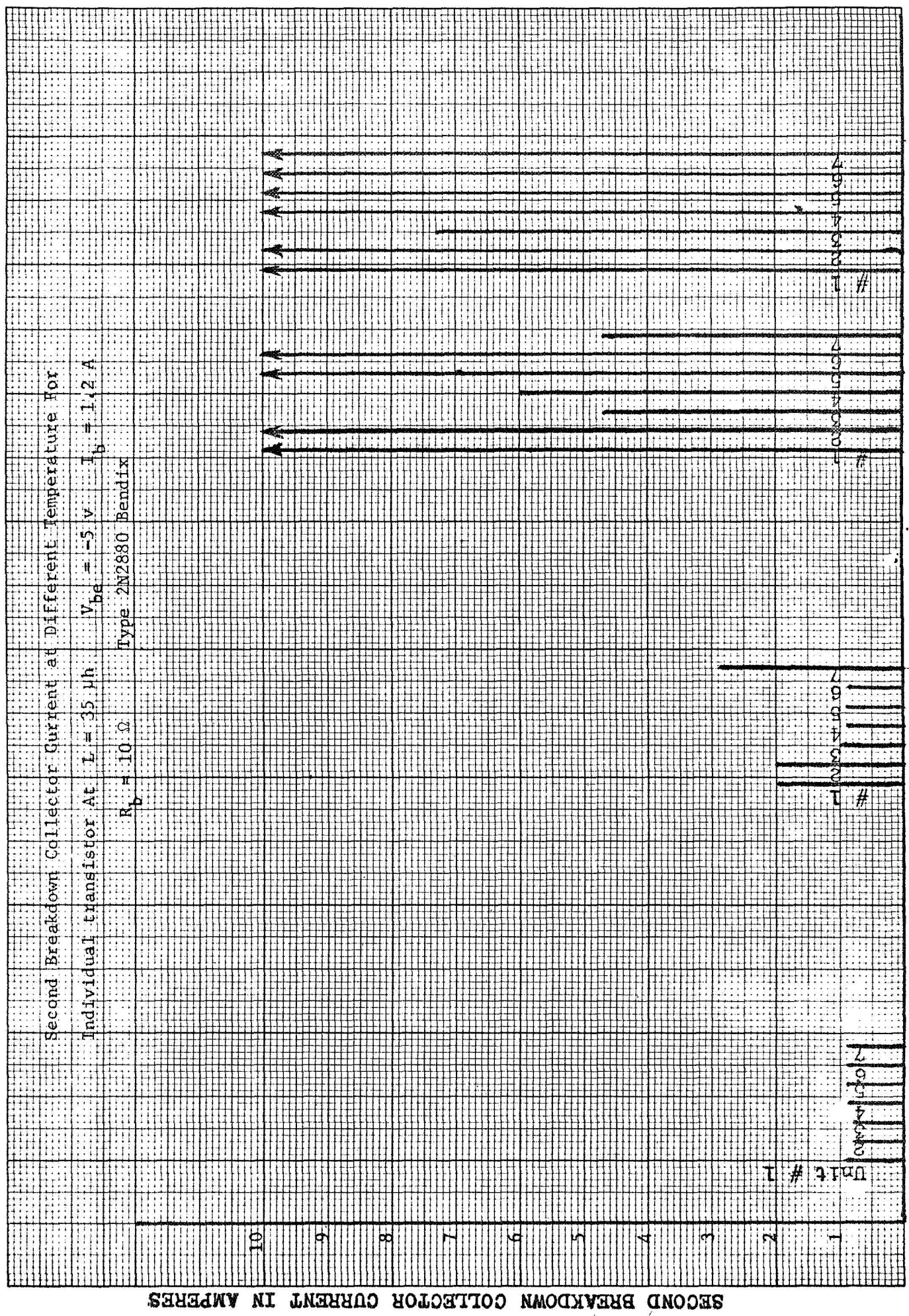




Fig 2 B

Ref. N-X1-9

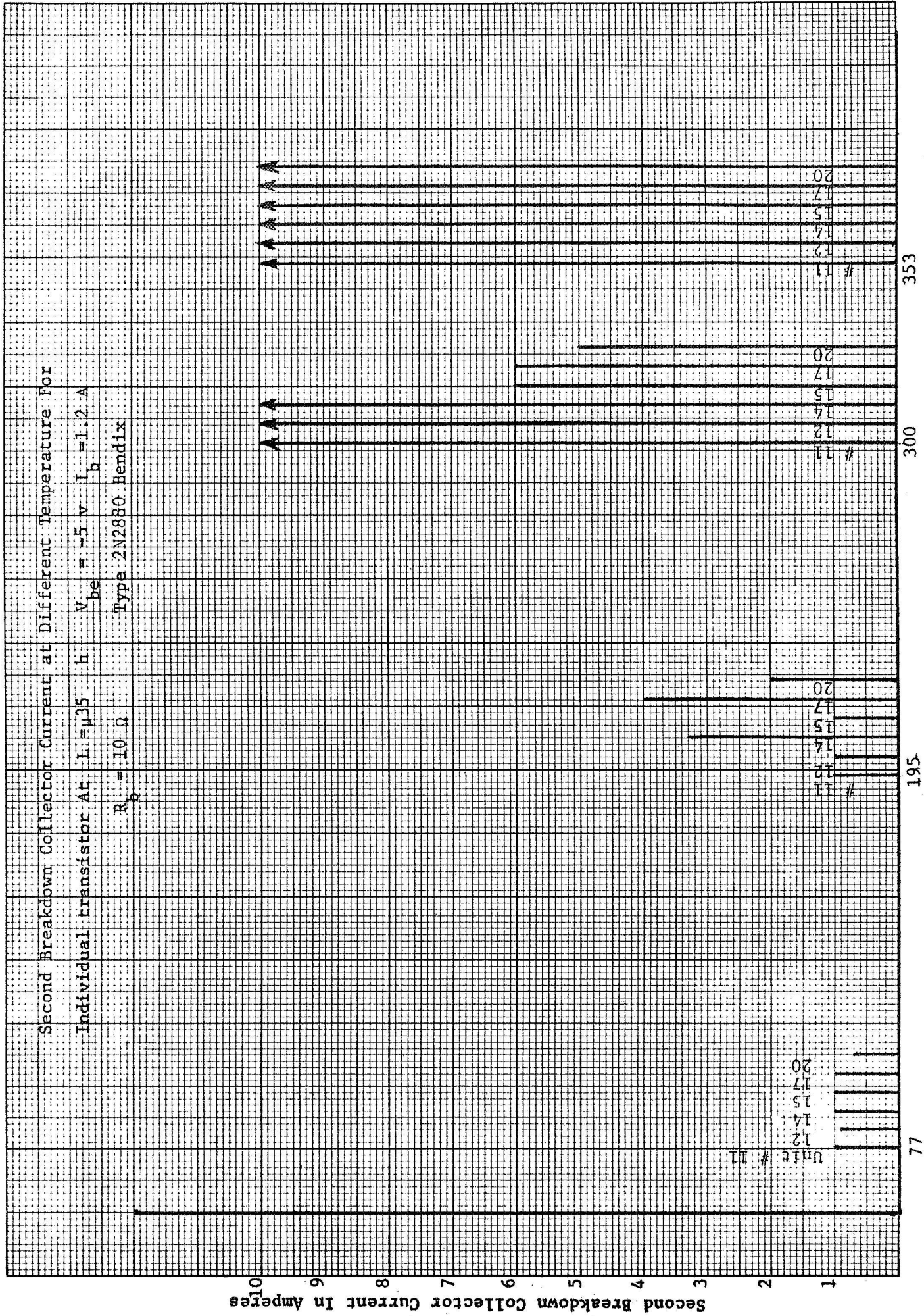


Fig 3

Ref. N-XI-10

Second Breakdown Collector Current at Different Temperature For  
Individual Transistor At  $L = 35 \mu h$   $V_{be} = -5 V$   $I_B = 1.2 A$

$R_b = 10 \Omega$

Type 2N2880 Bendix

Second Breakdown Collector Current in Amperes

Temperature, in  $^{\circ} K$

353 N-XII-4

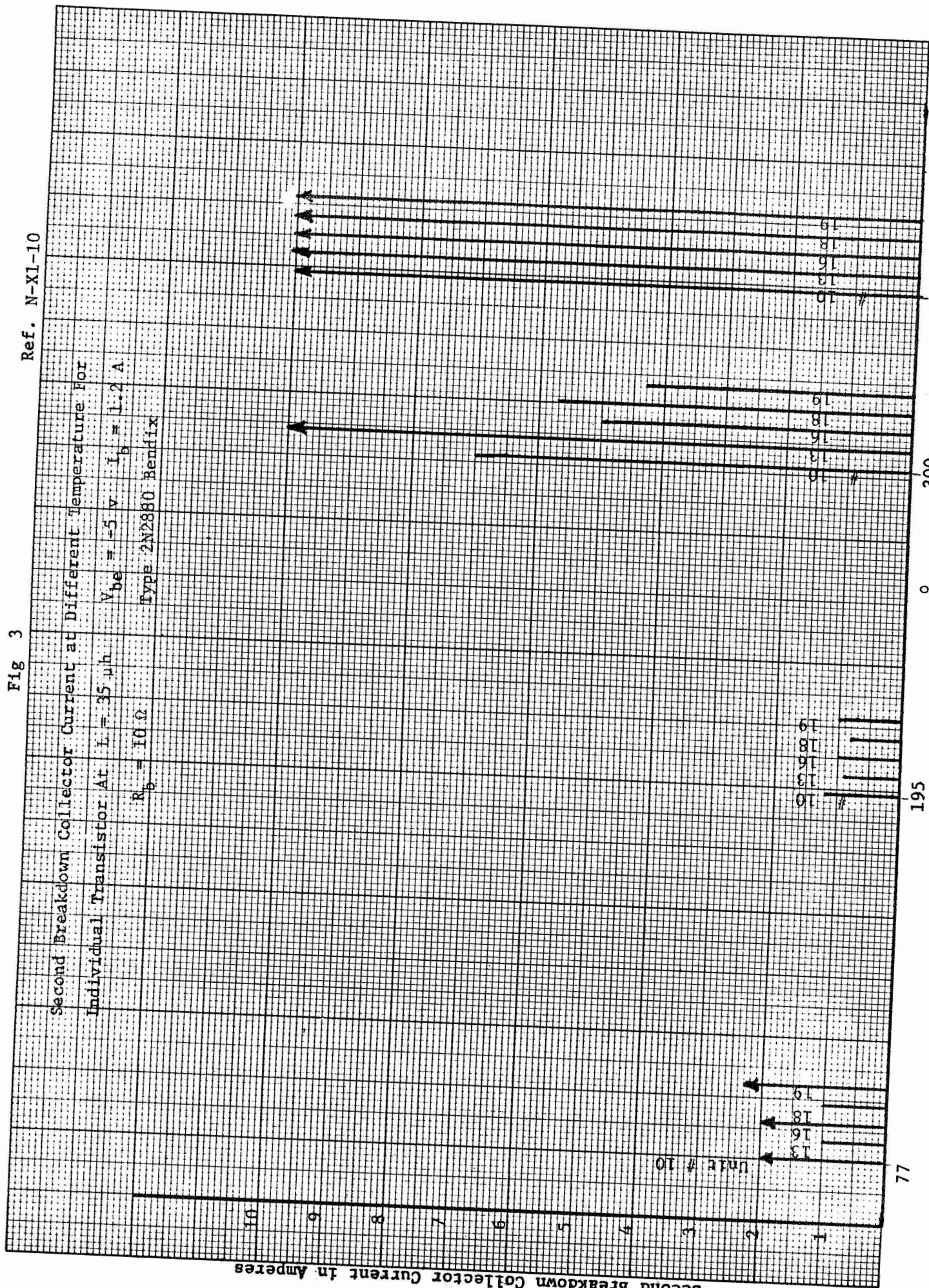
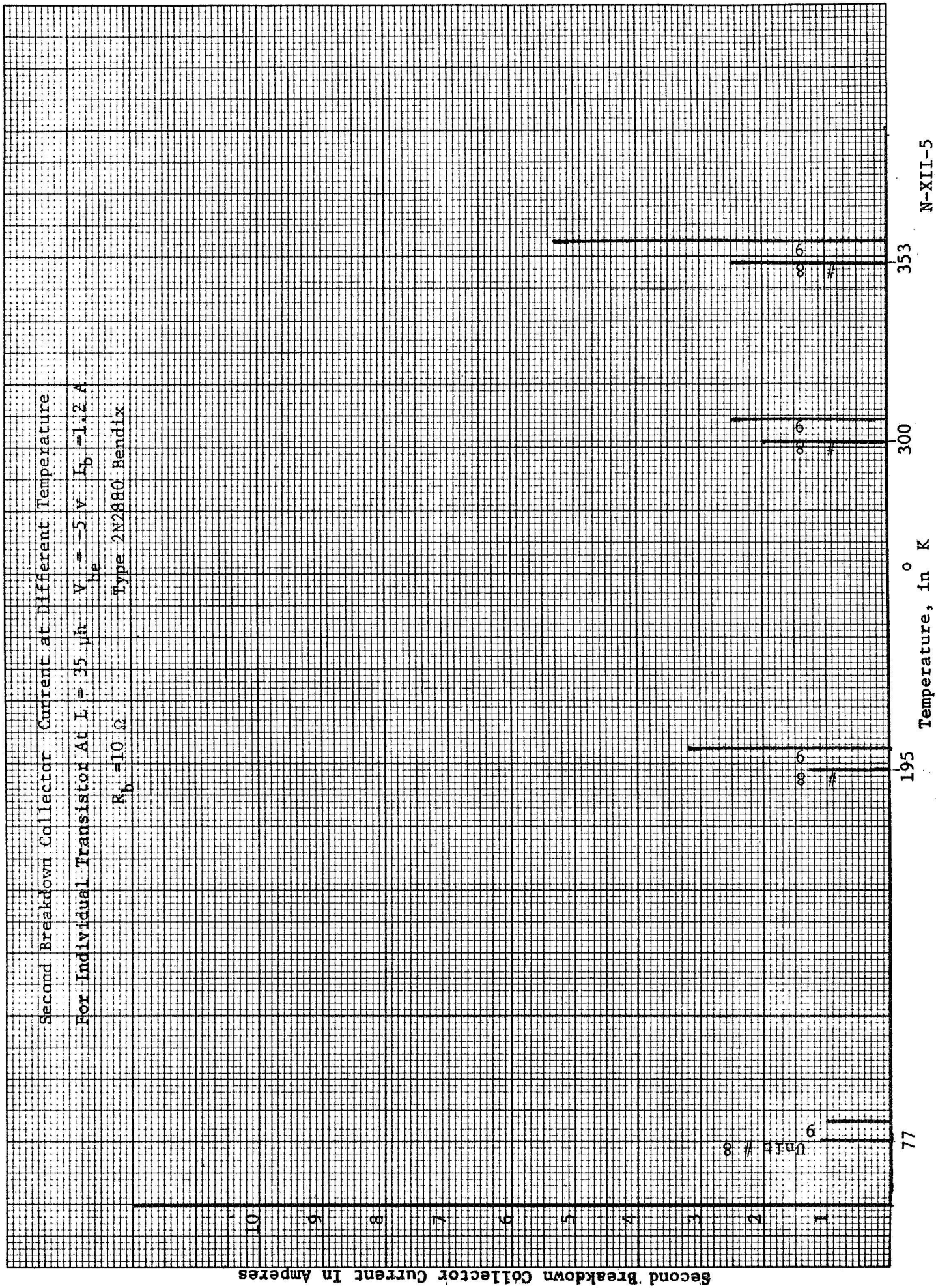


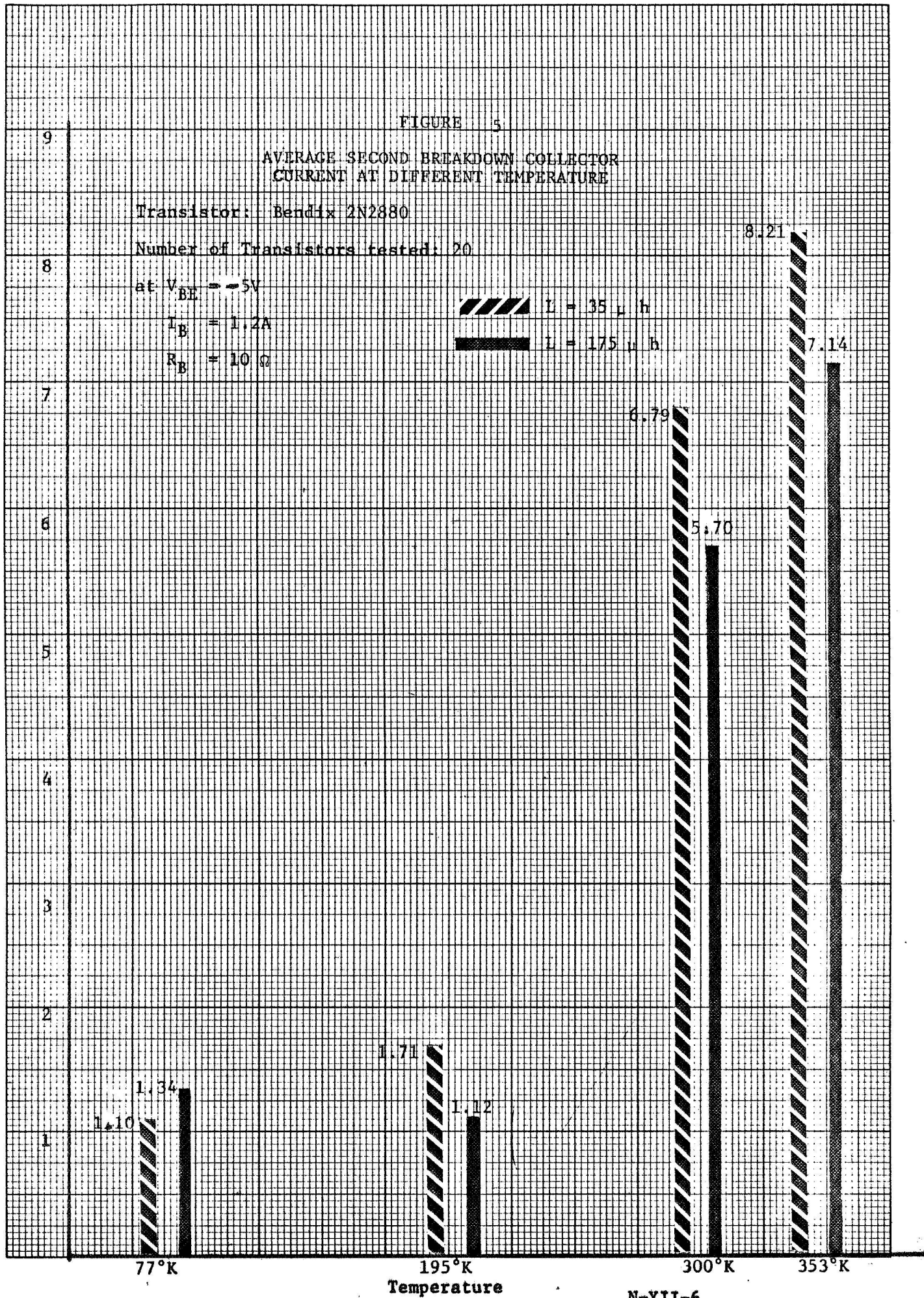


Fig. 4 Ref. N-XI-11





## AVERAGE SECOND BREAKDOWN COLLECTOR CURRENT IN AMPERES



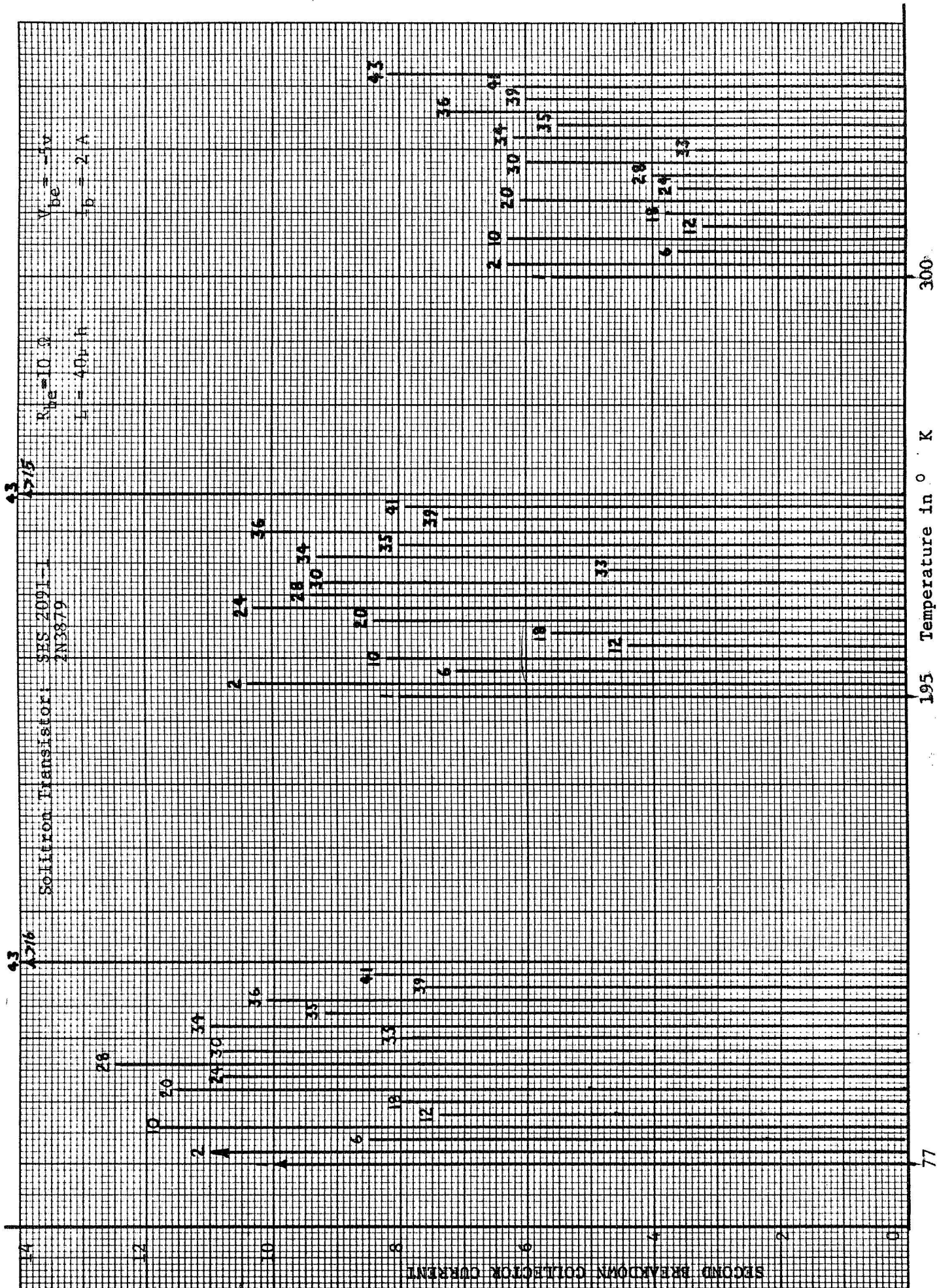
DATA ON

SES 2091-1

2N3879

N-XII-7

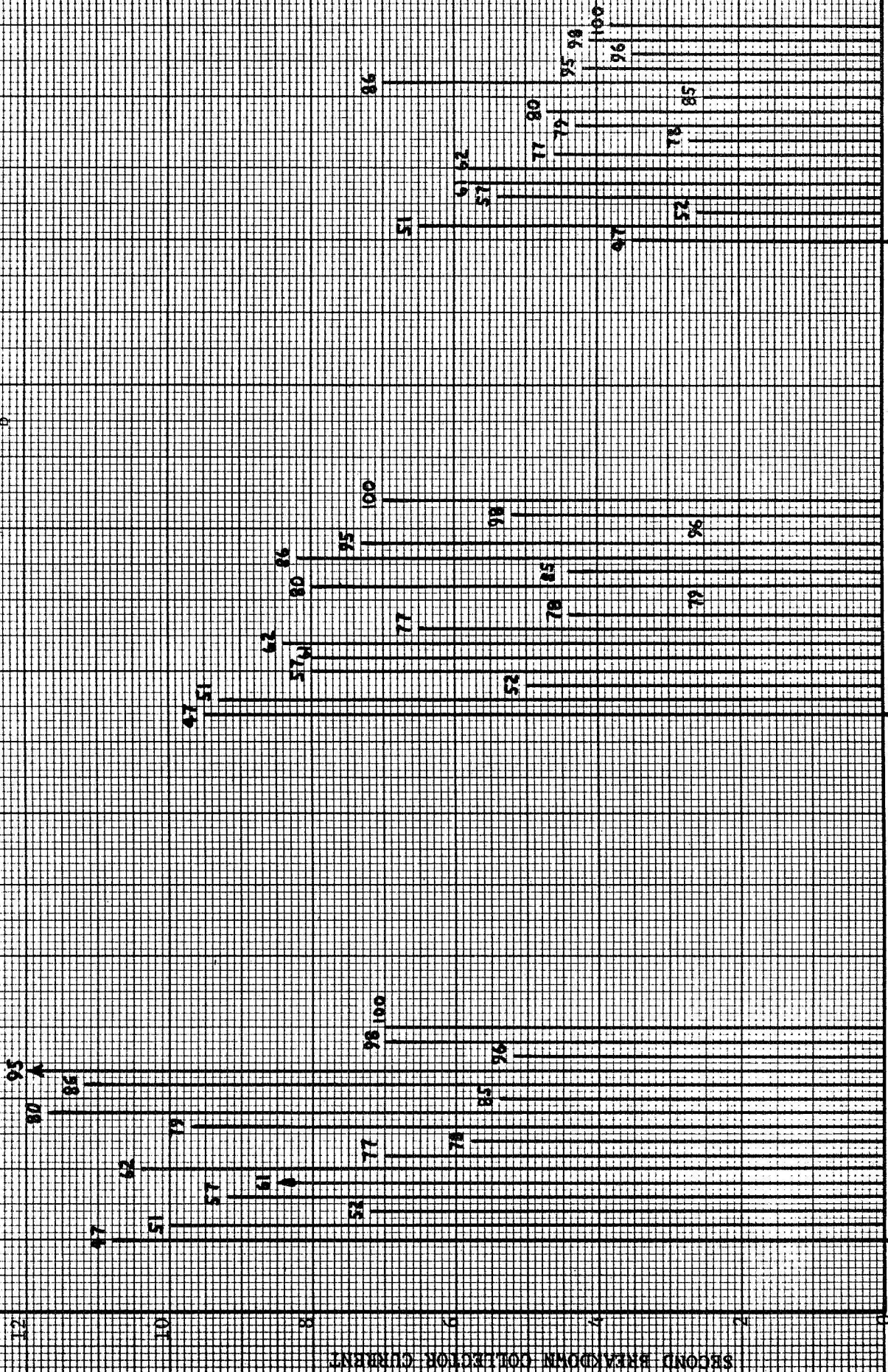
# Second Breakdown Collector Current Decreases as the Temperature Increases





Second Breakdown Collector Current Decreases as the Temperature Increases

Silicon Transistor: SLS 2091-1  $R_{be} = 10\Omega$   $V_{be} = 5v$   
2N3879  $I_c = 40\mu A$   $I_b = 2 A$



Second Breakdown Collector Current Slightly Increases as the Temperature Increases

Silicon Transistor: SES 2091-1  
2N3879

$R_{be} = 10 \Omega$

$L = 40 \mu H$

$V_{bb} = -5V$

$I_b = 2 A$

12

10

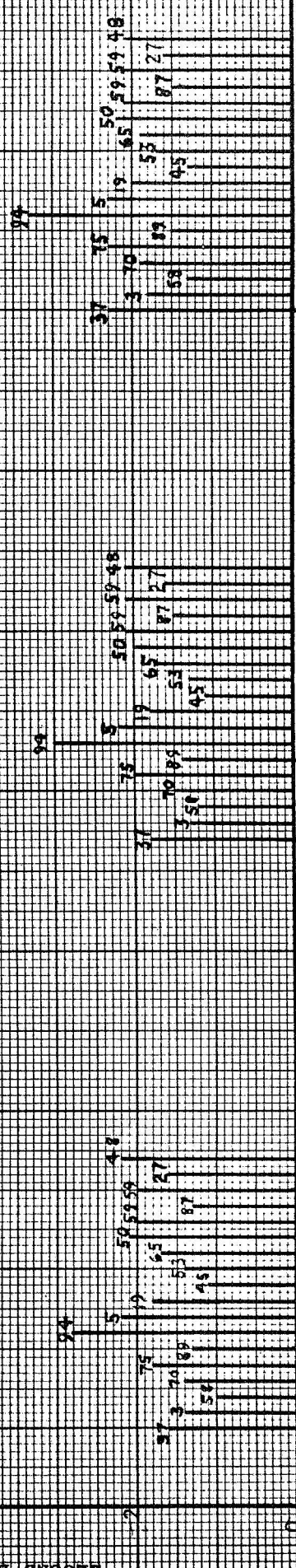
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SECOND BREAKDOWN COLLECTOR CURRENT





Second Breakdown Collector Current Increases and then Decreases as the Temperature Increases

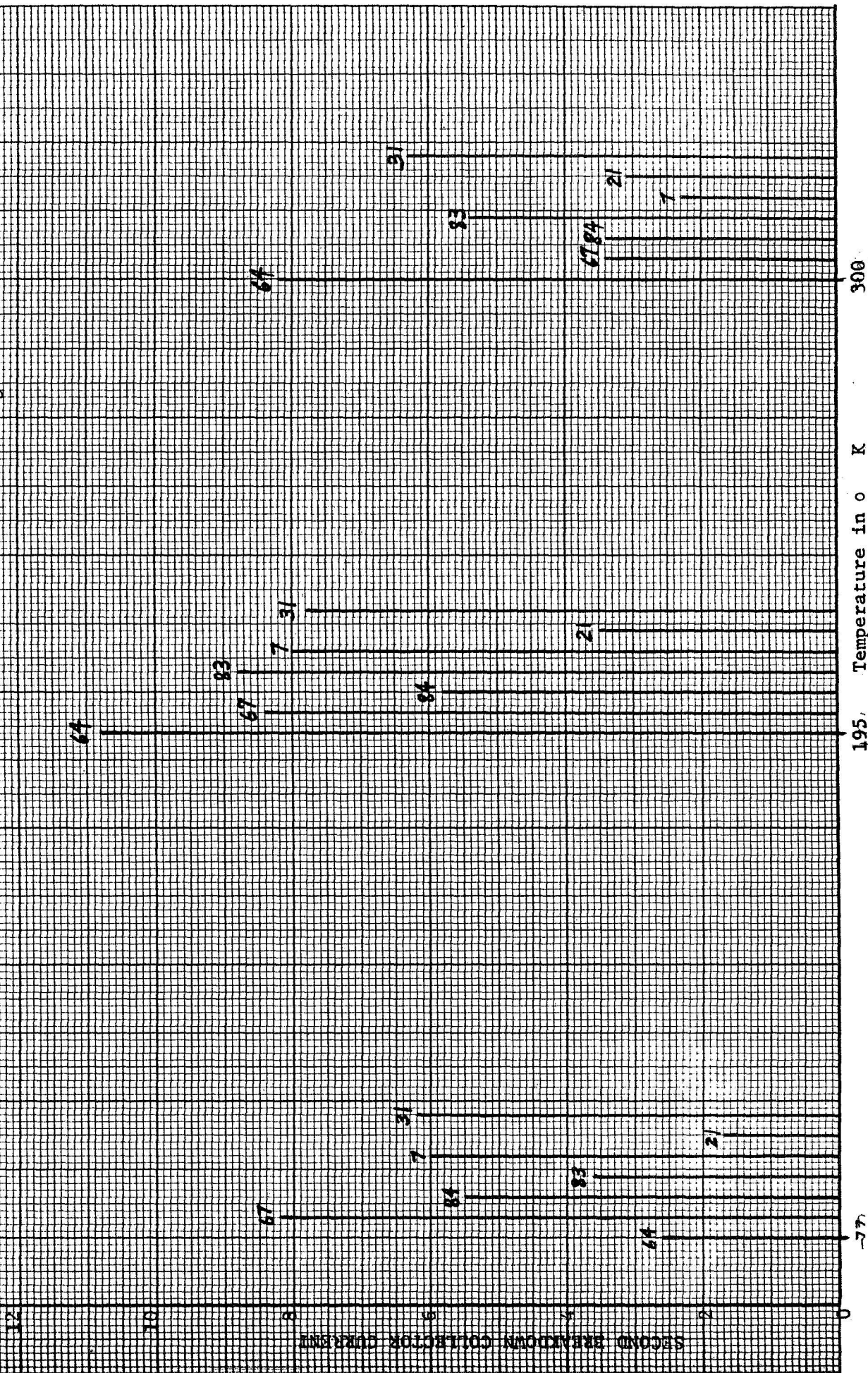
Solifrom Transistor, NEX 2091-1  
2N3879

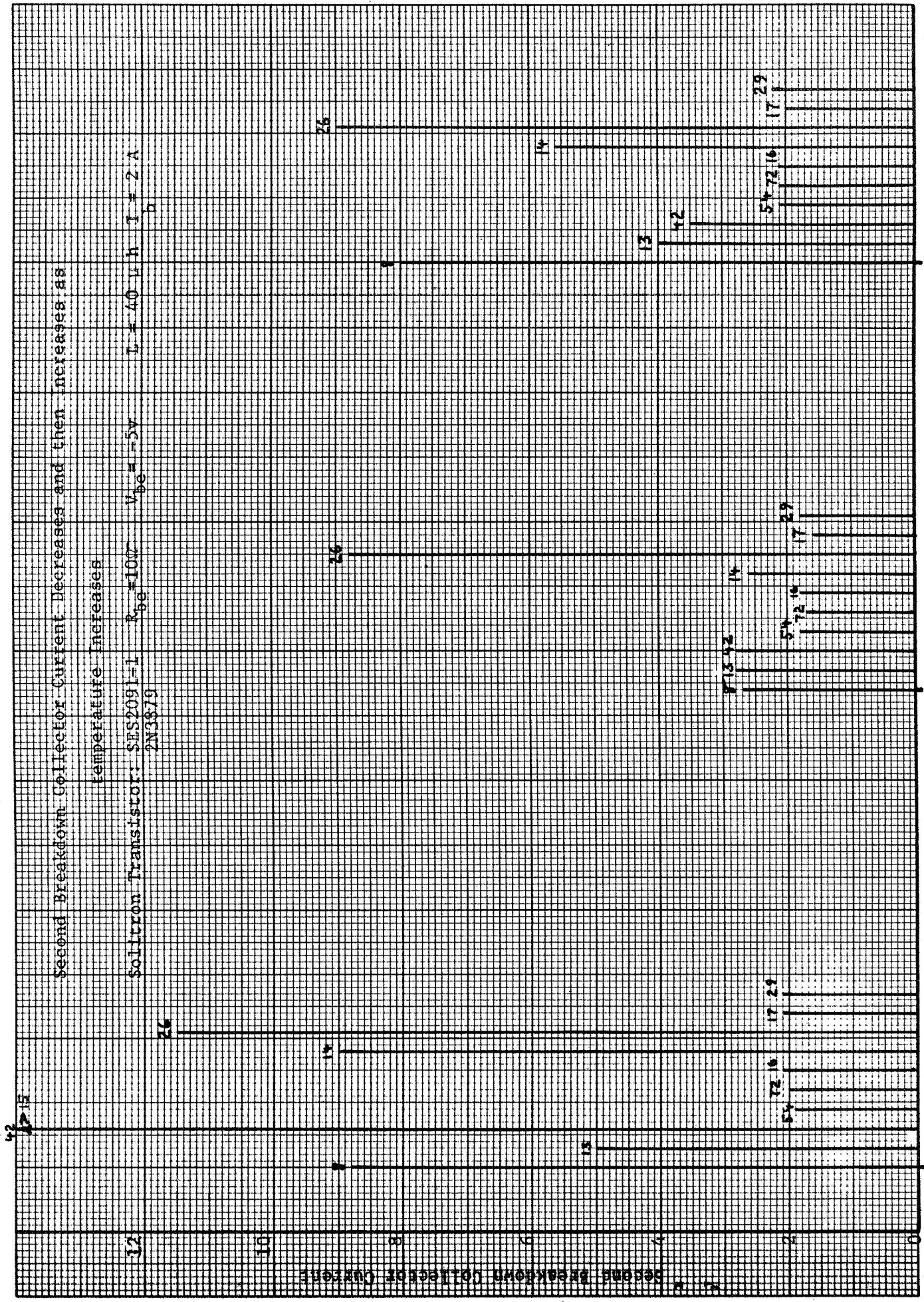
$R_{be} = 10 \Omega$

$V_{be} = -5v$

$L = 40 \mu h$

$I_b = 2A$





#### Correlation Between Noise and Second Breakdown:-

The attached data shows the extremely meager amount of correlation between second breakdown and electrical noise. In actual figures the coefficient of correlation came to +0.465.

The thought here was that in the same family of transistors, those that had a lower current of Second Breakdown must have spiked or defective junction region and hence these junctions should show greater electrical noise. This hypothesis did not bear itself out in our measurement in the Laboratory. J.H. Durnin, W. Gee and others at NCE laboratory made the measurements over an extended period of time and Durnin has theorized this data for his Master's thesis.

At this moment our only conclusion would be that the data is encouraging but what has to be done is to find a method of noise measurement over a very short period of time but using very high forward current. If future funds became available this study should prove helpful.



DATA AND GRAPHS  
ON  
SECOND BREAKDOWN AND  
ELECTRICAL NOISE

## DATA AND GRAPHS

### 1. Definition of Symbols Used

The following symbols are used in Figures A1 through A4 and A9:

- (■) Single (multiple) data point for a center frequency  $f_c$  of 10 hertz.
- △ (▲) Single (multiple) data point for a center frequency  $f_c$  of 1 kilohertz.
- $R_{BE}$  The value of base to emitter resistance used when the second breakdown current,  $I_{SB}$ , was obtained (see Figure 3.1).

The following symbols are used in Figures A5 through A7:

- $I_{CBO}$  Collector to base leakage current with the emitter open circuited
- $I_{CBX}$  Collector to base leakage current with the emitter at the stated condition
- $R_{BE}$  The value of base to emitter resistance used when the noise voltages,  $V_n$ , shown were recorded (see Figure 3.4b).
- (●) Single (multiple) data point for a leakage current of 1 milliampere.
- (■) Single (multiple) data point for a leakage current of 5 milliamperes.

- Δ (▲) Single (multiple) data point for a leakage current of 10 milliamperes.
- X Common data point for leakage currents of 1, 5, 10 milliamperes.

The following symbols are used in Figure 8:

- Data point for a collector current,  $I_c$ , of 0.01 amperes.
- Δ Data point for a collector current,  $I_c$ , of 0.03 amperes.
- Data point for a collector current,  $I_c$ , of 0.06 amperes.
- X Data point for a collector current,  $I_c$ , of 0.10 amperes.
- Data point for a collector current,  $I_c$ , of 0.35 amperes.

TABLE A1

SECOND BREAKDOWN CURRENT,  $I_{SB}$ , IN AMPERES

| Unit<br>No. | $R_{BE} = 10 \text{ ohms}$ |        |        |       | $R_{BE} = 20 \text{ ohms}$ |        |        |       |
|-------------|----------------------------|--------|--------|-------|----------------------------|--------|--------|-------|
|             | 300° K                     | 273° K | 195° K | 77° K | 300° K                     | 273° K | 195° K | 77° K |
| 2           | 6.3                        | 6.9    | 10.4   | >11.0 | 8.4                        | 10.0   | >12.0  | >11.0 |
| 7           | 2.3                        | 2.3    | 8.0    | 6.0   | 2.9                        | 3.1    | 12.0   | 6.4   |
| 8           | 8.0                        | 8.0    | 2.7    | 8.8   | 9.6                        | 9.6    | 11.2   | 12.3  |
| 10          | 6.3                        | 7.2    | 8.2    | 11.8  | 8.8                        | 9.6    | 10.0   | 13.4  |
| 12          | 3.2                        | 3.2    | 4.4    | 7.4   | 3.7                        | 3.9    | 8.4    | 9.0   |
| 13          | 4.1                        | 4.2    | 2.8    | 5.0   | 5.4                        | 6.4    | 9.6    | 7.0   |
| 14          | 5.6                        | 3.7    | 2.6    | 9.2   | 8.0                        | >11.0  | 11.0   | 12.3  |
| 17          | 2.0                        | 2.0    | 1.6    | 9.0   | 2.0                        | 2.0    | 2.0    | 11.7  |
| 18          | 3.8                        | 3.4    | 5.6    | 2.1   | 4.1                        | 4.2    | 10.0   | 2.0   |
| 19          | 2.0                        | 2.0    | 1.8    | 8.0   | 2.0                        | 2.0    | 2.0    | 11.0  |
| 20          | 6.1                        | 7.0    | 8.4    | 1.8   | 9.0                        | 11.0   | >12.0  | 1.9   |
| 21          | 3.1                        | 2.5    | 3.5    | 11.6  | 3.5                        | 3.4    | 8.0    | >13.0 |
| 24          | 3.6                        | 4.0    | 10.3   | 1.7   | 3.5                        | 3.4    | 8.0    | 3.4   |
| 26          | 9.0                        | 9.4    | 8.8    | 10.8  | 11.0                       | 11.2   | 10.8   | 12.0  |
| 27          | 1.6                        | 1.6    | 1.6    | 11.5  | 1.7                        | 1.7    | 1.8    | >12.0 |
| 28          | 4.0                        | 4.7    | 9.4    | 1.6   | 6.0                        | 8.0    | 13.0   | 1.9   |
| 30          | 6.0                        | 7.2    | 9.2    | 12.5  | 8.5                        | 9.6    | 10.7   | 14.0  |
| 31          | 6.3                        | 5.5    | 7.8    | 10.8  | 8.2                        | 7.3    | 1.0    | >12.0 |
| 33          | 3.3                        | 3.2    | 4.7    | 6.2   | 4.2                        | 4.4    | 8.0    | 9.0   |
| 34          | 6.2                        | 6.4    | 9.3    | 8.0   | 7.6                        | 8.8    | 11.7   | 11.6  |
| 35          | 5.5                        | 6.0    | 8.0    | 11.0  | 8.0                        | 8.8    | 9.4    | 11.6  |
| 36          | 7.2                        | 7.8    | 10.1   | 9.2   | 9.2                        | 10.5   | 12.0   | 13.0  |
| 37          | 2.3                        | 2.2    | 1.8    | 10.1  | 2.1                        | 2.1    | 2.1    | 2.0   |
| 39          | 6.0                        | 6.3    | 7.3    | 1.6   | 7.6                        | 7.7    | 9.2    | 10.8  |

Table A1 - Second Breakdown Current,  $I_{SB}$ , In Amperes (cont'd)

| Unit<br>No. | $R_{BE} = 10 \text{ ohms}$ |        |           |            | $R_{BE} = 20 \text{ ohms}$ |        |        |            |
|-------------|----------------------------|--------|-----------|------------|----------------------------|--------|--------|------------|
|             | 300° K                     | 273° K | 195° K    | 77° K      | 300° K                     | 273° K | 195° K | 77° K      |
| 41          | 6.2                        | 6.7    | 7.9       | 8.4        | 7.9                        | 8.7    | 11.0   | 10.8       |
| 47          | 3.5                        | 3.3    | 9.5       | 10.8       | 10.0                       | 10.4   | 12.0   | >12.0      |
| 48          | 2.2                        | 2.2    | 2.1 & 4.8 | 2.1        | 2.4                        | 4.8    | 5.6    | 5.9        |
| 50          | 2.2                        | 2.2    | 2.0       | 2.1        | 2.0                        | 2.0    | 1.9    | 1.8        |
| 51          | 6.5                        | 7.3    | 9.3       | 10.0       | 9.2                        | 10.4   | 11.4   | 11.6       |
| 52          | 2.7                        | 2.6    | 5.0       | 7.2        | 4.2                        | 4.8    | 8.4    | 10.4       |
| 53          | 1.7                        | 1.8    | 1.3       | 1.4        | 1.7                        | 1.8    | 1.6    | 1.6        |
| 54          | 2.1                        | 2.0    | 1.8       | 1.9        | 2.2                        | 2.1    | 2.0    | 2.0        |
| 56          | 3.0                        | 3.4    | 3.0 & 5.0 | 9.0        | 4.3                        | 6.8    | 9.5    | 10.5       |
| 57          | 5.4                        | 6.7    | 8.0       | 9.2        | 8.7                        | 9.5    | 9.4    | 11.0       |
| 58          | 1.3                        | 1.2    | 1.2       | 1.0        | 1.3                        | 1.2    | 1.2    | 1.1        |
| 59          | 2.1                        | 2.1    | 2.1       | 2.0        | 2.0                        | 2.0    | 2.0    | 1.9        |
| 61          | 5.8                        | 6.1    | 8.0       | > 8.5      | 7.7                        | 8.7    | 11.0   | > 9.0      |
| 62          | 5.8                        | 6.5    | 8.4       | 10.4       | 8.6                        | 10.0   | 11.0   | > 13.0     |
| 64          | 8.2                        | 9.8    | 10.8      | 2.6 & 12.0 | -                          | -      | -      | -          |
| 69          | 2.2                        | 2.0    | 1.5       | 1.9        | 2.0                        | 1.9    | 2.0    | 1.8        |
| 70          | 1.9                        | 1.8    | 1.5       | 1.4        | 2.0                        | 1.8    | 1.8    | 1.8        |
| 71          | 6.4                        | 7.4    | 10.0      | < 0.5      | 8.9                        | 10.0   | 11.6   | 0.0        |
| 72          | 2.1                        | 1.9    | 1.7       | 2.0        | 2.1                        | 2.0    | 2.1    | 2.0        |
| 76          | 5.6                        | 4.3    | 4.1       | 8.8        | 6.6                        | 6.0    | 5.2    | 9.8        |
| 77          | 2.7                        | 4.3    | 6.4       | 7.0        | 5.6                        | 5.6    | 9.2    | 9.5        |
| 78          | 4.3                        | 2.6    | 4.4       | 5.8        | 3.6                        | 4.1    | 7.2    | 7.6        |
| 79          | 4.7                        | 4.6    | -         | 9.7        | 6.8                        | 8.4    | -      | 11.5       |
| 80          | 5.4                        | 5.7    | 8.0       | 11.7       | 5.9                        | 7.3    | 12.0   | 13.0       |
| 83          | 3.4                        | 3.6    | 8.8       | 3.6        | 7.6                        | 8.5    | 10.4   | 4.2 & 12.6 |
| 84          | 3.5                        | 3.6    | 5.8       | 5.5        | 4.4                        | 4.8    | 8.0    | 7.6        |
| 85          | 7.0                        | 2.5    | 4.4       | 5.4        | 3.4                        | 5.8    | 7.2    | 6.0        |
| 86          | 1.5                        | 6.8    | 8.2       | 11.2       | 8.4                        | > 11.0 | > 12.0 | -          |
| 87          |                            | 1.4    | 1.5       | 1.3        | 1.6                        | 1.5    | 1.8    | 1.6        |

Table A1 - Second Breakdown Current,  $I_{SB}$ , In Amperes (cont'd)

| Unit<br>No. | $R_{BE} = 10$ ohms |        |        |       | $R_{BE} = 20$ ohms |        |        |           |
|-------------|--------------------|--------|--------|-------|--------------------|--------|--------|-----------|
|             | 300° K             | 273° K | 195° K | 77° K | 300° K             | 273° K | 195° K | 77° K     |
| 89          | 1.5                | 1.4    | 1.4    | 1.4   | 1.6                | 1.5    | 1.6    | 1.5       |
| 94          | 3.3                | 3.0    | 3.0    | 2.8   | -                  | -      | -      | -         |
| 95          | 4.2                | 5.4    | 7.3    | >12.0 | -                  | -      | -      | -         |
| 96          | 3.5                | 3.3    | -      | 5.2   | 4.4                | 4.9    | -      | 6.0 & 9.0 |
| 98          | 4.1                | 4.0    | 5.2    | 7.6   | 4.8                | 5.0    | 7.6    | 8.2       |
| 100         | 3.8                | 4.2    | 7.0    | 7.0   | 5.2                | 6.0    | 8.0    | 8.8       |

NOTES: a) All readings taken on second breakdown test set.

b) Inductance was 40  $\mu$  henries.

c) Base drive was set at 2 amperes.

d) Base reverse bias,  $V_{BE}$ , was -5 volts.

e) Readings, such as >10, indicate  $I_{SB}$  greater than the current listed (caused by uncertainties in readings or power supply limitations).

f) Readings, such as 2.1 & 6.4, indicate multiple second breakdown currents.

TABLE A2  
COLLECTOR TO BASE NOISE VOLTAGES,  
 $V_n$ , IN MICROVOLTS RMS  
(Readings Taken at Given  $I_{CBO}$ )

| Unit<br>No. | $I_{CBO} = 2 \text{ Microamp.}$ |                      | $I_{CBO} = 1 \text{ Milliamp.}$ |                      |
|-------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
|             | $f = 10 \text{ hz.}$            | $f = 1 \text{ khz.}$ | $f = 10 \text{ hz.}$            | $f = 1 \text{ khz.}$ |
| 7           | 3                               | 0.9                  | 12                              | 3.5                  |
| 8           | 72                              | 63                   | 220                             | 240                  |
| 10          | 180                             | 180                  | 12                              | 3                    |
| 12          | 45                              | 35                   | 18                              | 7                    |
| 13          | 55                              | 50                   | 240                             | 200                  |
| 14          | 18                              | 10                   | 30                              | 10                   |
| 17          | 250                             | 230                  | 10                              | 3                    |
| 18          | 2200                            | 1                    | 50                              | 5.5                  |
| 19          | 10                              | 2.1                  | 90                              | 10                   |
| 20          | 9                               | 5.8                  | 25                              | 9                    |
| 21          | 540                             | 8                    | 25                              | 2.6                  |
| 24          | 120                             | 110                  | 150                             | 90                   |
| 26          | 2.6                             | 0.38                 | -                               | -                    |
| 27          | 190                             | 260                  | 160                             | 130                  |
| 28          | 110                             | 150                  | 60                              | 40                   |
| 30          | 3.0                             | 0.4                  | 600                             | 30                   |
| 31          | 60                              | 0.6                  | 1200                            | 550                  |
| 33          | 280                             | 440                  | 220                             | 200                  |
| 34          | 620                             | 750                  | 720                             | 520                  |
| 35          | 130                             | 0.5                  | 500                             | 32                   |
| 36          | 30                              | 34                   | 58                              | 35                   |
| 37          | 170                             | 180                  | 20                              | 12                   |
| 39          | 3.5                             | 0.38                 | -                               | -                    |
| 41          | 48                              | 40                   | 170                             | 160                  |
| 47          | 3.0                             | 0.38                 | -                               | -                    |
| 48          | 5                               | 0.4                  | 10                              | 5                    |
| 50          | 70                              | 100                  | 100                             | 75                   |
| 51          | 450                             | 480                  | 1400                            | 200                  |
| 52          | 5.4                             | 2.1                  | 30                              | 23                   |
| 53          | 8                               | 2                    | 42                              | 9                    |
| 54          | 32                              | 8.8                  | 160                             | 180                  |
| 56          | 1000                            | 7                    | 150                             | 80                   |
| 57          | 200                             | 3.2                  | 30                              | 5                    |
| 59          | 6                               | 8                    | 58                              | 10                   |

Table A2 (cont'd)

Collector to Base Noise Voltages,  
 $V_n$ , in Microvolts RMS  
 (Readings Taken at Given  $I_{CBO}$ )

| Unit<br>No.     | $I_{CBO} = 2$ Microamp. |              | $I_{CBO} = 1$ Milliamp. |              |
|-----------------|-------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------|
|                 | $f = 10$ hz.            | $f = 1$ khz. | $f = 10$ hz.            | $f = 1$ khz. |
| 61 <sup>a</sup> | 30                      | 5            | 20                      | 24           |
| 62              | 110                     | 170          | 20                      | 10           |
| 64              | 170                     | 190          | 27                      | 27           |
| 67              | -                       | -            | -                       | -            |
| 69              | 8                       | 1.6          | 21                      | 4.5          |
| 70              | 2.5                     | 0.75         | 18                      | 4            |
| 71              | 220                     | 200          | 5                       | 1.5          |
| 72              | 150                     | 130          | 20                      | 15           |
| 76              | 290                     | 260          | 150                     | 120          |
| 77              | 100                     | 90           | 15                      | 6            |
| 78              | 6                       | 4.5          | 10                      | 7            |
| 79              | 250                     | 210          | 420                     | 400          |
| 80              | 200                     | 110          | 12                      | 3.5          |
| 83              | 100                     | 80           | 50                      | 30           |
| 84              | 300                     | 270          | 16                      | 3.5          |
| 85              | 180                     | 170          | 30                      | 30           |
| 86              | 14                      | 1.2          | 500                     | 300          |
| 87              | 16                      | 2.2          | 130                     | 12           |
| 89              | 3.0                     | 0.5          | 30                      | 10           |
| 94              | 160                     | 140          | 60                      | 50           |
| 95              | 100                     | 60           | 60                      | 40           |
| 96              | 220                     | 170          | 300                     | 15           |
| 98              | 600                     | 600          | 21                      | 5            |
| 100             | 200                     | 150          | 15                      | 5            |

- NOTES: a) Symbol  $I_{CBO}$  means Collector to Base Reverse Current, With Emitter Open Circuited.
- b) A one hertz band width was used at the frequencies listed.
- c) All measurements were taken on a Quan. Tech. Labs Model 327 Diode Noise Analyzer.
- d) Unit numbers 61 through 77 have readings listed for  $I_{CBO} = 2$  milliamp. - not  $I_{CBO} = 1$  milliamp.



TABLE A3

COLLECTOR TO BASE NOISE VOLTAGE  
SPECTRUM

(Noise Voltages in Microvolts;  
Band Width = 100 hz.)

| Unit<br>No.                 | Center Frequencies |        |        |         |          |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|--------|--------|---------|----------|
|                             | 100 hz.            | 1 khz. | 5 khz. | 10 khz. | 100 khz. |
| $I_{CBO} = 1$ Milliampere   |                    |        |        |         |          |
| 12                          | 440                | 220    | 16     | 8       | 2        |
| 13                          | 460                | 240    | 16     | 9       | 1        |
| 14                          | 430                | 220    | 18     | 10      | 2        |
| 17                          | 420                | 240    | 18     | 11      | 2        |
| $I_{CBO} = 5$ Milliamperes  |                    |        |        |         |          |
| 12                          | 740                | 260    | 12     | 8       | 2        |
| 13                          | 750                | 270    | 10     | 11      | 2        |
| 14                          | 710                | 260    | 10     | 6       | 2        |
| 17                          | 680                | 280    | 11     | 6       | 2        |
| $I_{CBO} = 10$ Milliamperes |                    |        |        |         |          |
| 12                          | 780                | 360    | 13     | 14      | 2        |
| 13                          | 760                | 390    | 26     | 14      | 2        |
| 14                          | 720                | 370    | 25     | 19      | 2        |
| 17                          | 740                | 360    | 24     | 12      | 2        |

- NOTES: a) Quan. Tech. Labs Model 303 Wave Analyzer  
used for all measurements.
- b) Collector current limiting resistor was  
10,000 ohms.
- c) Test Circuit Figure 3.4a; Noise Voltage Spectrum  
plotted in Figure A5.

TABLE A4

COLLECTOR TO BASE NOISE VOLTAGE  
SPECTRUM WITH EMITTER REVERSE BIASED  
(Noise Voltages in Microvolts;  
Band Width = 100 hz.)

| Unit<br>No.   | Center Frequencies |        |        |         |          |
|---|--------------------|--------|--------|---------|----------|
|   | 100 hz.            | 1 khz. | 5 khz. | 10 khz. | 100 khz. |
| $I_{CBX} = 1 \text{ Milliampere}; R_{BE} = 10 \text{ Ohms}$   |                    |        |        |         |          |
| 12  | 16                 | 11     | 6      | 5       | 2        |
| 13  | 12                 | 8      | 5      | 4       | 2        |
| 14  | 14                 | 10     | 5      | 4       | 2        |
| 17  | 11                 | 8      | 6      | 5       | 3        |
| $I_{CBX} = 5 \text{ Milliamperes}; R_{BE} = 10 \text{ Ohms}$  |                    |        |        |         |          |
| 12  | 58                 | 58     | 60     | 58      | 43       |
| 13  | 92                 | 46     | 43     | 58      | 26       |
| 14  | 48                 | 42     | 40     | 42      | 32       |
| 17  | 10                 | 7      | 4      | 3       | 2        |
| $I_{CBX} = 10 \text{ Milliamperes}; R_{BE} = 10 \text{ Ohms}$ |                    |        |        |         |          |
| 12  | 12                 | 10     | 9      | 8       | 8        |
| 13  | 20                 | 18     | 18     | 16      | 15       |
| 14  | 16                 | 15     | 14     | 14      | 14       |
| 17  | 18                 | 16     | 17     | 16      | 13       |
| $I_{CBX} = 1 \text{ Milliampere}; R_{BE} = 20 \text{ Ohms}$   |                    |        |        |         |          |
| 12  | 14                 | 10     | 6      | 4       | 2        |
| 13  | 52                 | 20     | 4      | 2       | 2        |
| 14  | 18                 | 13     | 6      | 5       | 2        |
| 17  | 14                 | 11     | 8      | 8       | 9        |

Table A4 (cont'd)

Collector to Base Noise Voltage  
Spectrum With Emitter Reverse Biased  
(Noise Voltages in Microvolts;  
Band Width = 100 hz.)

| Unit<br>No.   | Center Frequencies |        |        |         |          |
|---|--------------------|--------|--------|---------|----------|
|   | 100 hz.            | 1 khz. | 5 khz. | 10 khz. | 100 khz. |
| $I_{CBX} = 5 \text{ Milliamperes}; R_{BE} = 20 \text{ Ohms}$  |                    |        |        |         |          |
| 12  | 68                 | 58     | 58     | 56      | 42       |
| 13  | 60                 | 60     | 56     | 52      | 12       |
| 14  | 30                 | 28     | 26     | 26      | 25       |
| 17  | 10                 | 8      | 5      | 6       | 4        |
| $I_{CBX} = 10 \text{ Milliamperes}; R_{BE} = 20 \text{ Ohms}$ |                    |        |        |         |          |
| 12  | 12                 | 10     | 8      | 7       | 6        |
| 13  | 23                 | 23     | 22     | 22      | 18       |
| 14  | 16                 | 12     | 10     | 9       | 9        |
| 17  | 18                 | 18     | 19     | 20      | 14       |

- NOTES: a) Quan. Tech. Labs Model 303, Wave Analyzer used for all measurements.
- b) Collector current limiting resistor was 10,000 ohms.
- c) Test Circuit Figure 3.4b ; Noise Voltage Spectrum plotted in Figures A6 and A7.
- d) Symbol  $I_{CBX}$  means Collector to Base Reverse Current under stated conditions (base to emitter at 5 volts reverse bias).

TABLE A5

## COLLECTOR TO BASE NOISE VOLTAGE

SPECTRUM WITH  $I_C$  FLOWING

(Noise Voltages in Microvolts;  
Band Width = 100 hz.)

| Unit<br>No. | Noise Voltage for Given $I_C$ (In Amperes) |      |      |      |      |
|-------------|--|------|------|------|------|
|             | 0.01                                       | 0.03 | 0.06 | 0.10 | 0.35 |
| 56          | 33   | 65   | 85   | 93   | 31   |
| 19          | 37   | 67   | 88   | 95   | 31   |
| 10          | 35   | 68   | 88   | 92   | 33   |
| 27          | 28   | 55   | 78   | 86   | 31   |
| 30          | 28   | 55   | 75   | 90   | 32   |
| 31          | 30   | 56   | 81   | 89   | 32   |
| 33          | 30   | 53   | 76   | 84   | 31   |
| 34          | 30   | 58   | 78   | 88   | 32   |
| 35          | 29   | 54   | 78   | 88   | 30   |
| 36          | 30   | 49   | 80   | 85   | 29   |
| 37          | 30   | 58   | 80   | 87   | 28   |
| 40          | 30   | 58   | 81   | 90   | 29   |
| 50          | 31   | 59   | 82   | 92   | 29   |
| 51          | 31   | 59   | 82   | 90   | 30   |
| 54          | 31   | 59   | 82   | 90   | 30   |
| 59          | 31   | 58   | 79   | 88   | 30   |
| 62          | 31   | 58   | 81   | 88   | 29   |
| 76          | 30   | 57   | 80   | 88   | 29   |

- NOTES:
- a) Quan. Tech. Labs Model 303 Wave Analyzer used for all measurements.
  - b) Collector current limiting resistor was 100 ohms.
  - c) Test Circuit Figure 3.5; Noise Voltage Spectrum plotted in Figure A8.
  - d) Symbol  $I_C$  means current flowing into the collector terminal.
  - e) Center frequency,  $f_0 = 100$  hz.

TABLE A6

BASE TO EMITTER NOISE VOLTAGES,  
 $V_n$ , IN MICROVOLTS RMS

| Unit<br>No. | Noise Voltage for Given $I_{EBO}$ |        |             |        |            |        |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|--------|-------------|--------|------------|--------|
|             | 5 Microamp.                       |        | 1 Milliamp. |        | 3 Milliamp |        |
|             | 10 hz.                            | 1 khz. | 10 hz.      | 1 khz. | 10 hz.     | 1 khz. |
| 7           | 4.0                               | 0.45   | 7.5         | 3.0    | 3.0        | 2.0    |
| 8           | 5.0                               | 1.4    | 15.0        | 6.0    | 3.0        | 3.0    |
| 10          | 3.0                               | 0.52   | 4.5         | 1.3    | 4.5        | 1.8    |
| 12          | 3.0                               | 1.1    | 4.5         | 1.5    | 1.8        | 1.1    |
| 13          | 3.0                               | 0.5    | 4.5         | 2.0    | 3.0        | 1.0    |
| 14          | 3.2                               | 0.4    | 21.0        | 17.0   | 2.1        | 1.0    |
| 17          | 5.0                               | 3.6    | 5.0         | 3.0    | 3.0        | 2.3    |
| 18          | 3.3                               | 1.5    | 6.0         | 2.5    | 6.0        | 5.0    |
| 19          | 4.4                               | 0.4    | 3.0         | 3.0    | 3.0        | 1.5    |
| 20          | 4.5                               | 1.8    | 20.0        | 10.0   | 3.0        | 1.7    |
| 21          | 4.5                               | 2.2    | 2.4         | 0.6    | 3.0        | 3.2    |
| 24          | 3.5                               | 0.4    | 3.0         | 1.5    | 4.0        | 3.0    |
| 26          | 3.2                               | 0.38   | 0.9         | 0.15   | 1.2        | 0.2    |
| 27          | 3.5                               | 0.58   | 6.0         | 0.4    | 6.0        | 4.2    |
| 28          | 4.5                               | 1.5    | 6.0         | 7.0    | 3.0        | 2.0    |
| 30          | 3.2                               | 0.38   | 0.9         | 0.1    | 1.5        | 0.2    |
| 31          | 4.5                               | 0.4    | 4.0         | 0.35   | 3.0        | 0.3    |
| 33          | 1.0                               | 0.6    | 3.9         | 5.0    | 1.5        | 1.0    |
| 34          | 4.2                               | 0.45   | 5.0         | 2.0    | 2.0        | 0.7    |
| 35          | 1.0                               | 1.7    | 4.5         | 1.0    | 15.0       | 5.0    |
| 36          | 3.5                               | 0.9    | 3.0         | 2.0    | 3.0        | 2.5    |
| 37          | 4.4                               | 0.46   | 6.0         | 4.0    | 6.0        | 4.4    |
| 39          | 3.0                               | 0.38   | 3.0         | 0.3    | 9.0        | 1.2    |
| 41          | 19.0                              | 11.0   | 18.0        | 8.0    | 12.0       | 4.0    |
| 47          | 3.5                               | 0.38   | 1.0         | 0.1    | 2.0        | 0.1    |
| 48          | 3.5                               | 3.2    | 3.0         | 1.0    | 2.4        | 1.3    |
| 50          | 3.8                               | 0.4    | 5.4         | 0.7    | 3.8        | 2.1    |
| 51          | 4.0                               | 2.5    | 1.5         | 1.5    | 2.4        | 1.5    |
| 52          | 4.0                               | 0.5    | 1.0         | 0.4    | 4.0        | 2.5    |
| 53          | 3.5                               | 0.4    | 4.0         | 1.4    | 10.0       | 1.2    |
| 54          | 2.8                               | 0.4    | 2.5         | 0.6    | 3.5        | 1.8    |
| 56          | 3.6                               | 1.2    | 2.2         | 1.0    | 2.1        | 1.0    |

Table A6 (cont'd)

Base to Emitter Noise Voltages,  
 $V_n$ , In Microvolts RMS

| Unit<br>No. | Noise Voltage for Given $I_{EBO}$ |        |             |        |             |        |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|--------|-------------|--------|-------------|--------|
|             | 5 Microamp.                       |        | 1 Milliamp. |        | 3 Milliamp. |        |
|             | 10 hz.                            | 1 khz. | 10 hz.      | 1 khz. | 10 hz.      | 1 khz. |
| 57          | 3.8                               | 0.4    | 5.0         | 3.0    | 2.7         | 2.5    |
| 59          | 22.0                              | 11.0   | 6.2         | 3.1    | 2.9         | 2.9    |
| 61          | 3.5                               | 0.5    | 5.2         | 4.3    | 3.8         | 2.8    |
| 62          | 3.4                               | 0.38   | 4.4         | 1.1    | 4.4         | 3.0    |
| 64          | 5.5                               | 3.0    | 5.0         | 4.2    | 5.2         | 3.8    |
| 69          | 4.0                               | 0.4    | 10.0        | 7.5    | 6.5         | 5.0    |
| 70          | 3.0                               | 0.9    | 8.0         | 6.6    | 2.4         | 2.0    |
| 71          | 3.0                               | 0.4    | 1.8         | 1.3    | 3.5         | 2.0    |
| 72          | 3.0                               | 0.4    | 3.3         | 1.5    | 3.3         | 1.9    |
| 76          | 2.5                               | 0.4    | 1.5         | 1.2    | 2.1         | 1.9    |
| 77          | 2.5                               | 0.38   | 4.5         | 1.0    | 2.1         | 1.1    |
| 78          | 4.2                               | 1.7    | 3.6         | 2.1    | 1.5         | 1.0    |
| 79          | 2.8                               | 0.5    | 1.0         | 0.7    | 2.7         | 0.7    |
| 80          | 4.0                               | 0.4    | 2.4         | 0.6    | 3.9         | 0.8    |
| 83          | 4.0                               | 0.44   | 5.2         | 3.2    | 4.2         | 1.7    |
| 84          | 4.0                               | 0.4    | 0.9         | 0.4    | 3.3         | 1.4    |
| 85          | 3.6                               | 0.4    | 5.5         | 5.2    | 2.6         | 1.8    |
| 86          | 5.0                               | 0.65   | 4.2         | 2.2    | 4.4         | 3.2    |
| 87          | 4.5                               | 0.8    | 3.0         | 1.4    | 3.8         | 2.5    |
| 89          | 4.5                               | 0.4    | 4.4         | 3.2    | 4.0         | 2.6    |
| 94          | 6.0                               | 4.0    | 5.0         | 1.4    | 3.5         | 0.8    |
| 95          | 12.0                              | 8.0    | 2.4         | 0.7    | 2.8         | 2.8    |
| 96          | 3.5                               | 0.4    | 1.8         | 0.7    | 2.7         | 0.8    |
| 98          | 3.5                               | 0.4    | 1.8         | 0.4    | 2.7         | 0.6    |
| 100         | 5.0                               | 0.55   | 3.6         | 0.3    | 3.9         | 2.3    |

- NOTES: a) Quan. Tech. Labs Model 327 Diode Noise Analyzer used on all measurements.
- b) A one hertz band width was used at the frequencies listed.
- c) Symbol  $I_{EBO}$  means base to emitter reverse current, with collector open circuited.
- d) Test Circuit Figure 3.3b, except that for 5 microamp. measurement the 10 meg-ohm resistor was replaced by a 50 meg-ohm resistor.

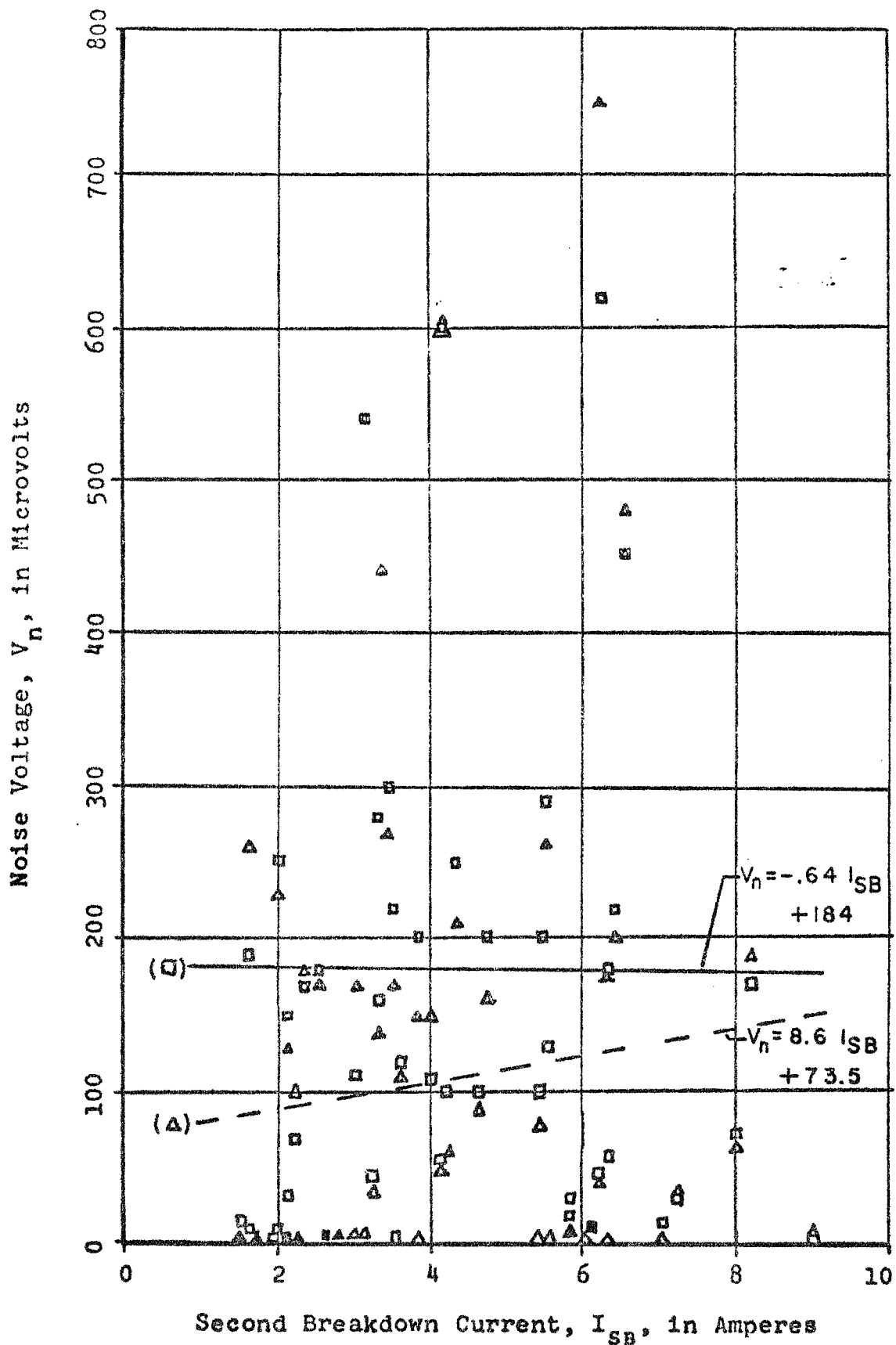


Figure A1 -- Noise Voltage vs. Second Breakdown Current

( $I_{CBO} = 2$  amp.;  $R_{BE} = 10$  ohms)

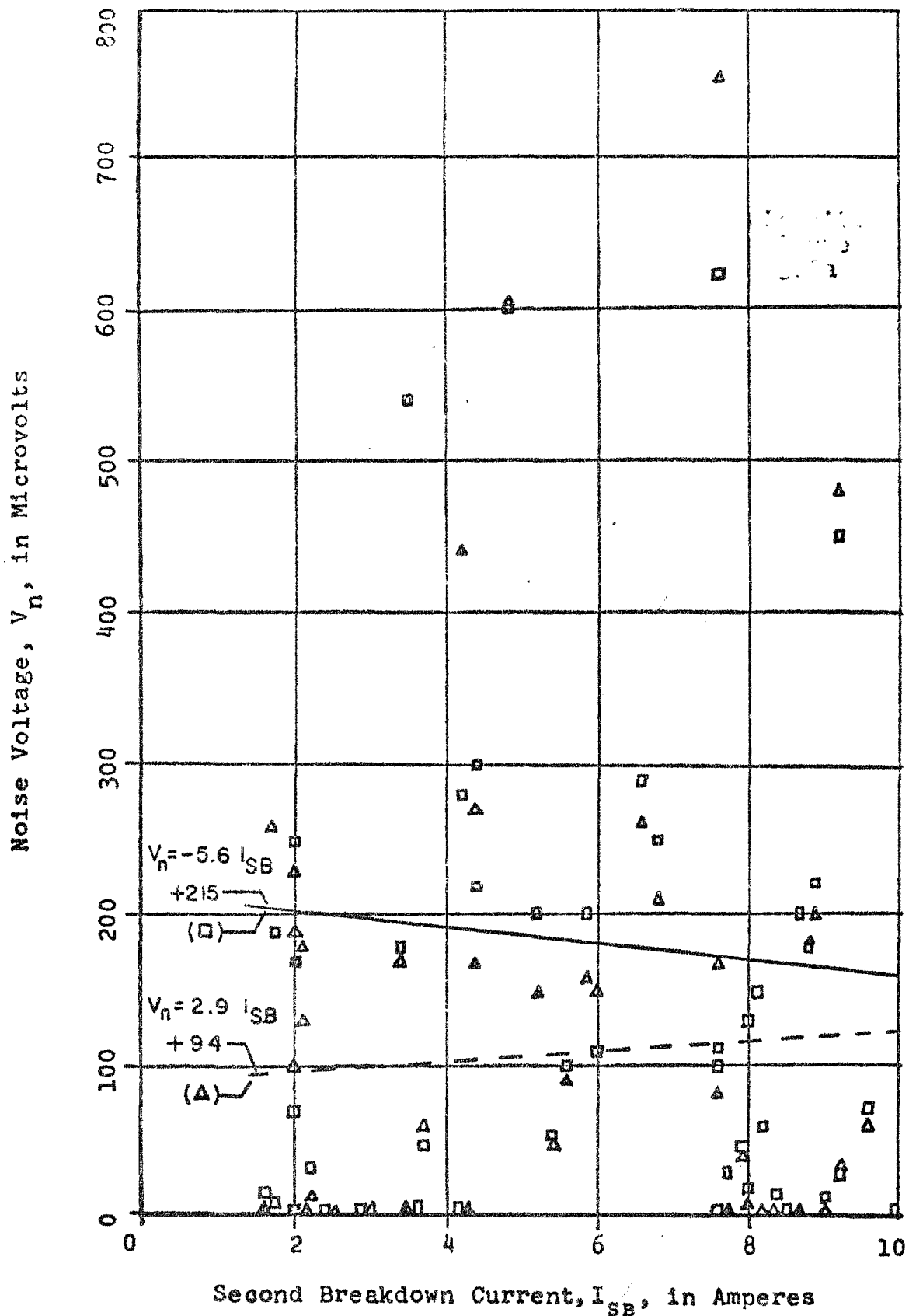


Figure A2 -- Noise Voltage vs. Second Breakdown Current

( $I_{CBO} = 2$  amp.;  $R_{BE} = 20$  ohms)



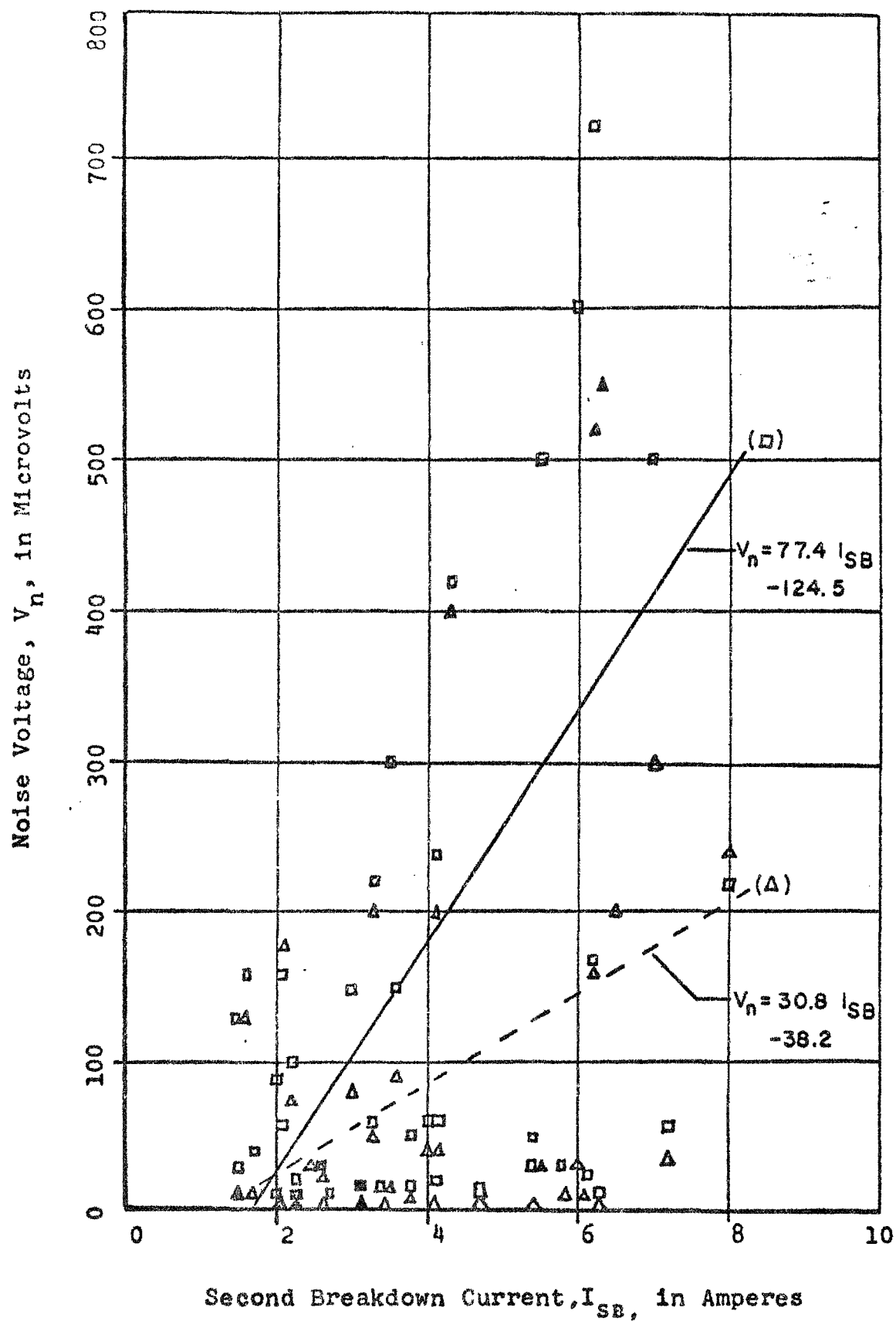


Figure A3 -- Noise Voltage vs. Second Breakdown Current

( $I_{CBO} = 1$  amp.;  $R_{BE} = 10$  ohms)

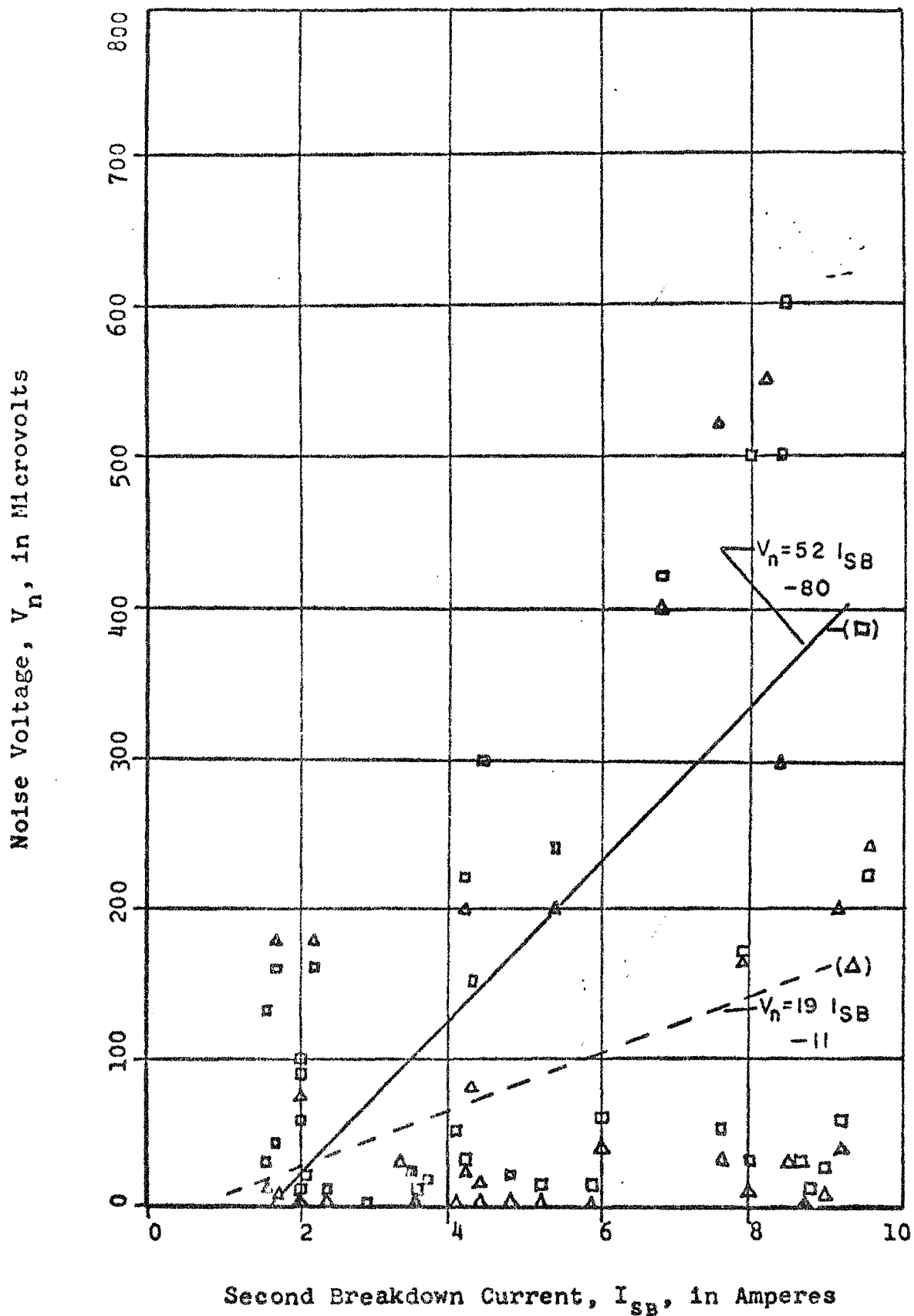


Figure A4 -- Noise Voltage vs. Second Breakdown Current

( $I_{CBO} = 1$  amp.;  $R_{BE} = 20$  ohms)

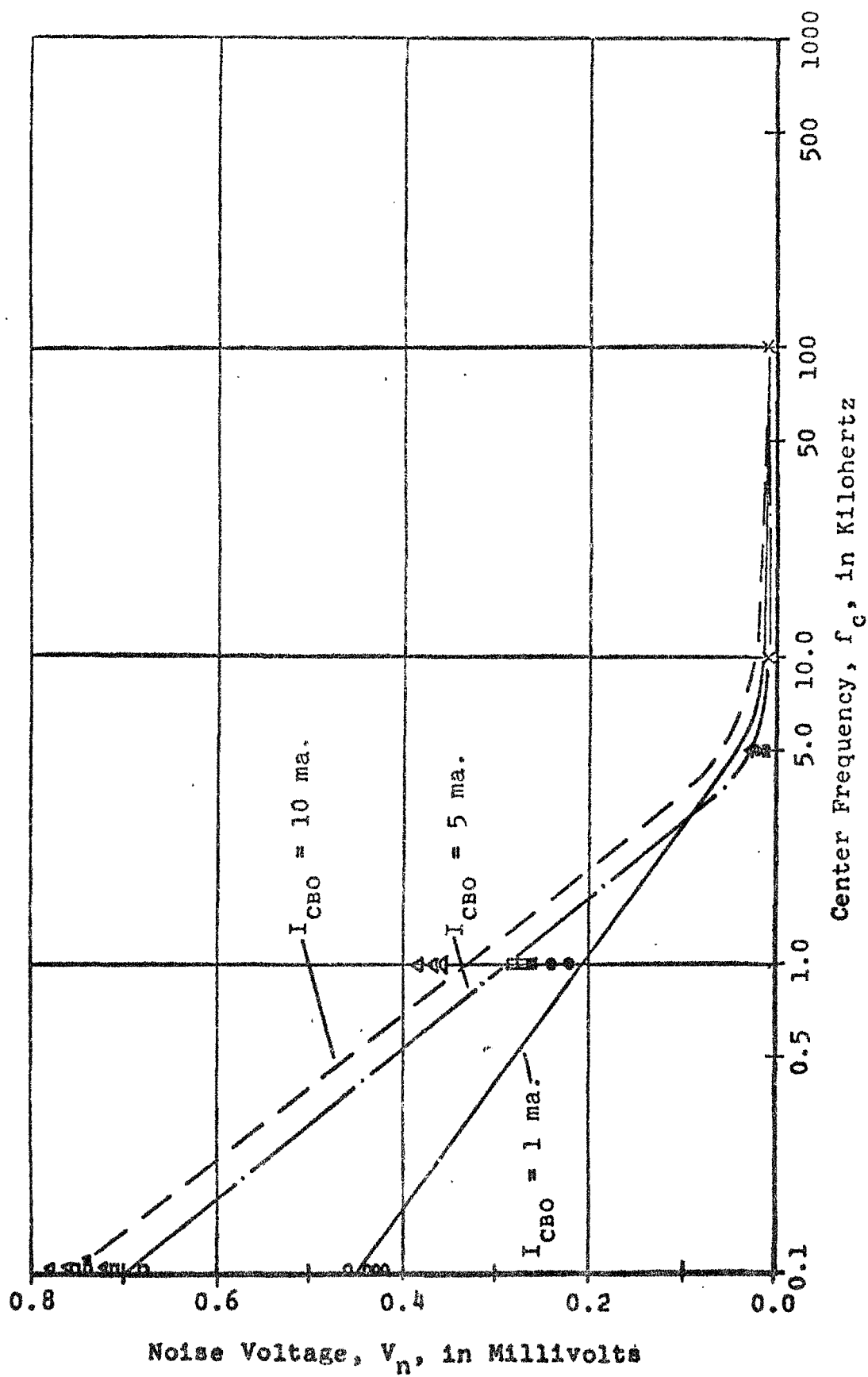


Figure A5 -- Noise Voltage Spectrum ( $I_{CBO}$  Condition)

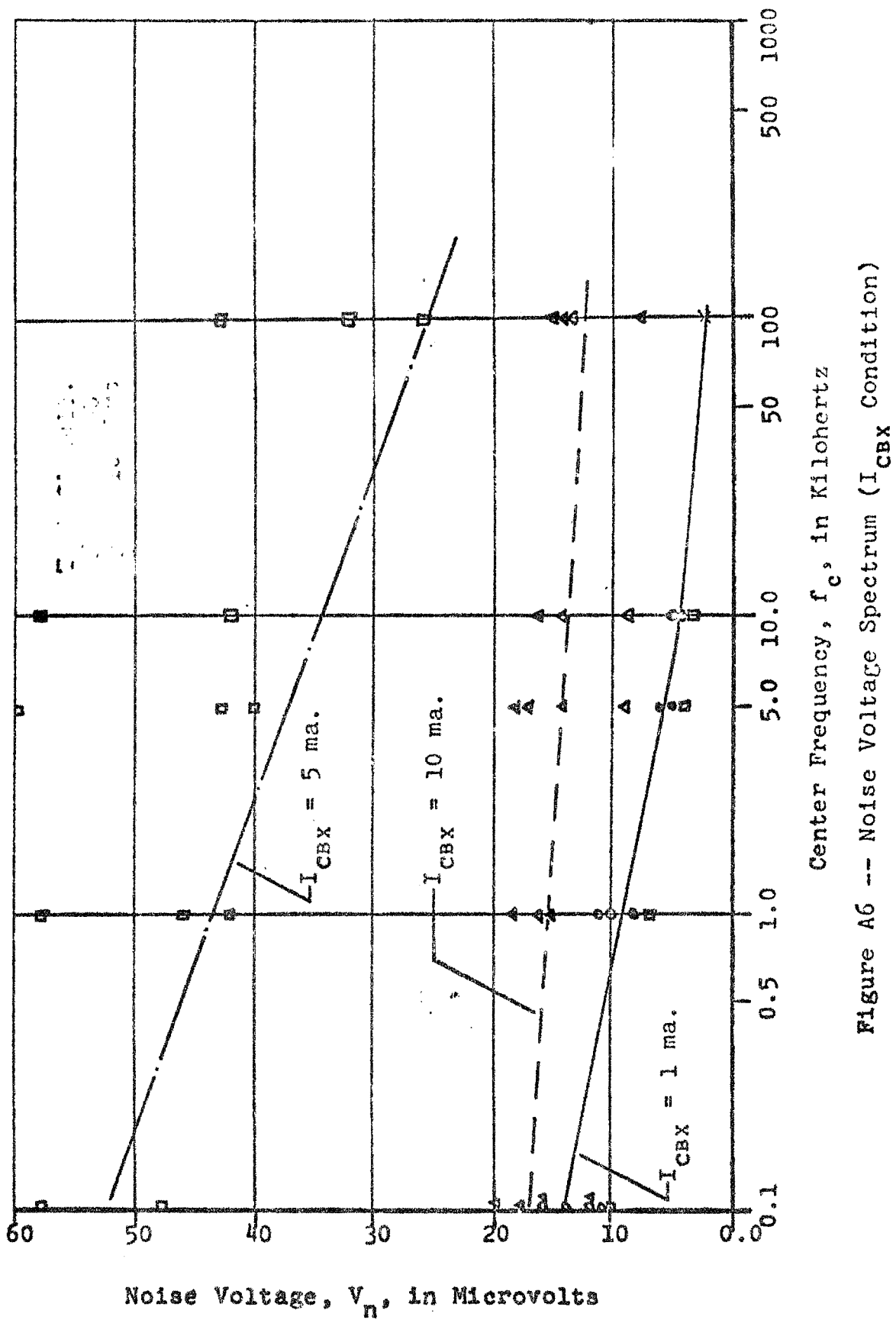
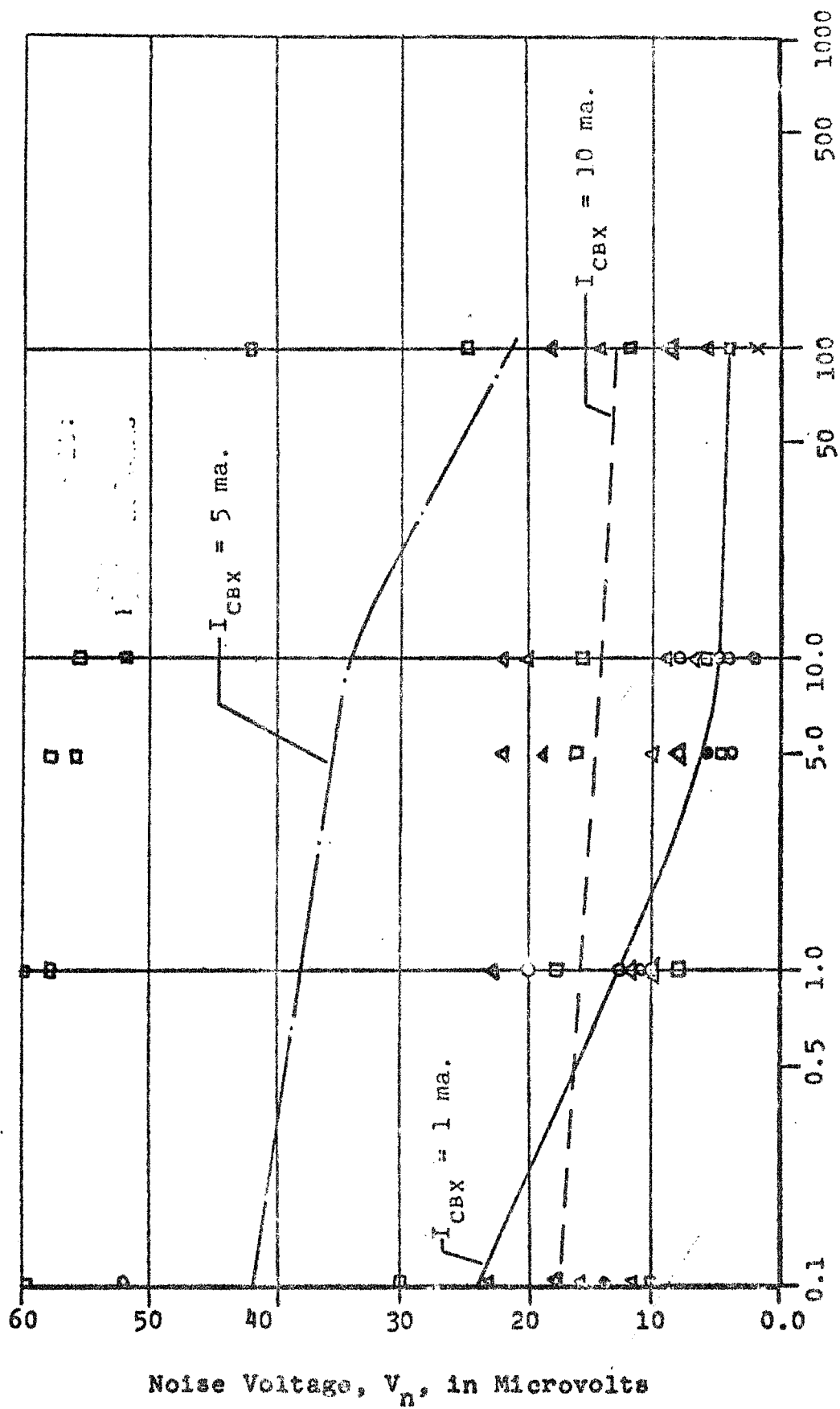


Figure A6 -- Noise Voltage Spectrum ( $I_{CBX}$  Condition)



Center Frequency,  $f_c$ , in KiloHertz  
 Figure A7 -- Noise Voltage Spectrum ( $I_{CBX}$  Condition)

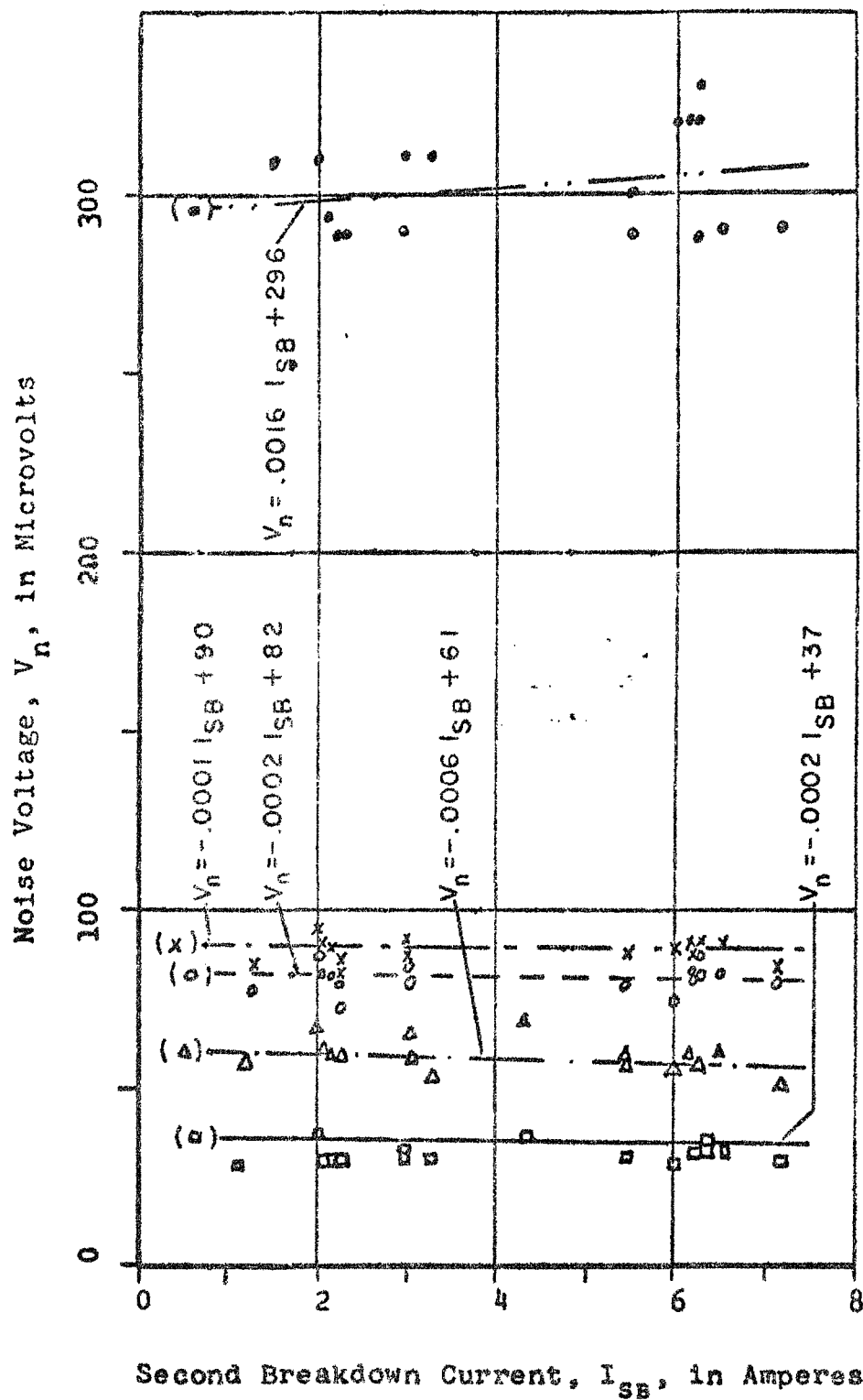


Figure A8 -- Noise Voltage vs. Second Breakdown Current

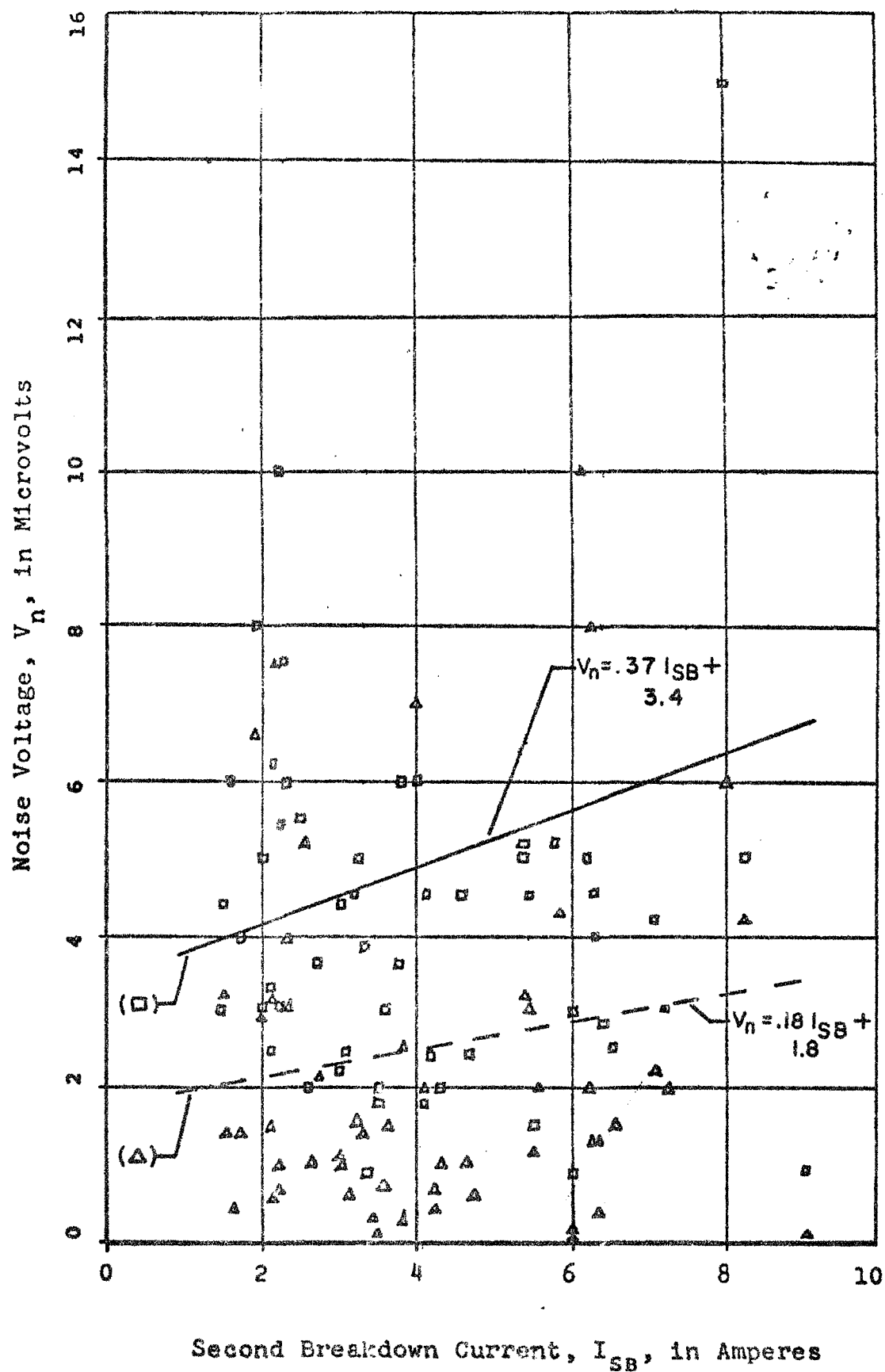


Figure A9 -- Noise Voltage vs. Second Breakdown Current

( $I_{EBO} = 1$  amp.;  $R_{BE} = 10$  ohms)